NOTICE OF CEQA SCOPING MEETING

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN DIEGO REGION

CEQA SCOPING MEETING FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN DIEGO BASIN TO INCORPORATE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS FOR NUTRIENTS AND INDICATOR BACTERIA IN LOMA ALTA SLOUGH LAGOON

CEQA SCOPING MEETING

1:00 p.m.
Monday, October 25, 2010
San Diego Water Board Hearing Room
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego, California 92123-4340

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) is considering a Basin Plan amendment to incorporate total maximum daily loads for nutrients and indicator bacteria in Loma Alta Slough Lagoon. The Basin Plan amendment process is authorized under section 13240 of the Water Code. The Basin Plan amendment will be a project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the San Diego Water Board will be the lead agency. The San Diego Water Board wishes to hold a CEQA scoping meeting and obtain public input on this matter.

FILING OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

Action on the proposed Basin Plan amendment will be taken in accordance with a regulatory program exempt under section 21080.5 of the Public Resources Code from the requirement to prepare environmental documents under the CEQA [Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.] and other applicable laws and regulations. In compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board's CEQA implementation regulations [23 CCR 3720 et seq.], the San Diego Water Board will prepare CEQA substitute environmental documents including a technical report, a tentative draft of the Basin Plan amendment, and an environmental checklist for this project [23 CCR 3776] in the future during the process of this project.

CEQA SCOPING MEETING

The San Diego Water Board will hold a CEQA scoping meeting on October 25, 2010, at a meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. The San Diego Water Board wishes to hold a CEQA scoping meeting and obtain public input on this matter.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Interested persons are invited to attend the meeting to present possible TMDL project effects on the environment. Oral statements will be heard, but for accuracy, testimony should be presented in writing.

Questions or comments should be submitted in either MS WORD or pdf format by email to: amecklenborg@waterboards.ca.gov. Questions or comments on paper should be submitted

Ms. Amy Mecklenborg California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region 9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92123-4340.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The problem statement and CEQA checklist documents related to this matter will be available on October 8, 2010, and may be reviewed at the San Diego Water Board office or on the web page at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/basinplan_amendments.shtml. For additional information please contact Ms. Amy Mecklenborg at (858) 637-7139.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parking is available at the hearing location. See the San Diego Water Board web site for a map to the meeting location. The meeting and room facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Lori Costa at (858) 467-2357 at least 5 working days prior to the October 25, 2010 meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922. Questions concerning this notice may be directed to Ms. Amy Mecklenborg.

David W. Gibson Executive Officer September 14, 2010